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rosacea (ro-za'she-a)

Chronic vascular and follicular dilation involving the nose and contiguous portions of the cheeks; may vary from mild but persistent erythema to extensive hyperplasia of the sebaceous glands, seen especially in men as rhinophyma and by deep-seated papules and pustules; accompanied by telangiectasia at the affected erythematous sites. SYN: acne rosacea. [L. rosaceus, 1 rosy] granulomatous rosacea papular lesions in r., characterized microscopically by perifollicular granulomas with central necrosis and scattered giant cells. Lupus miliaris disseminatus faciei is probably a form of granulomatous r.. SYN: rosacea-like tuberculid, tuberculoid rosacea. hypertrophic rosacea SYN: rhinophyma. tuberculoid rosacea SYN: granulomatous rosacea.

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